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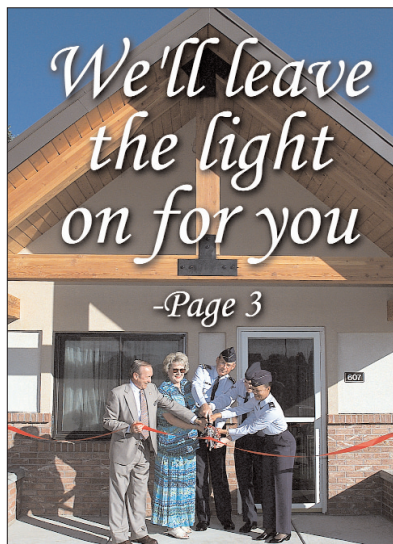
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help kick off rodeo

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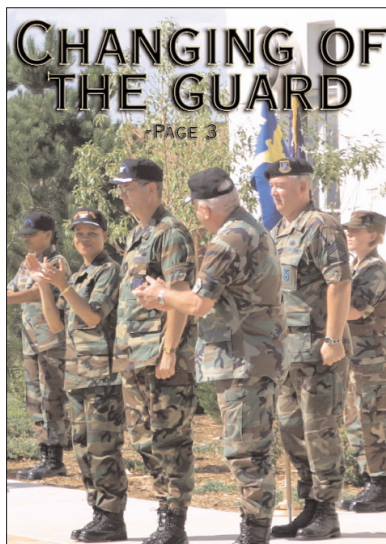
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the light  
on for you*

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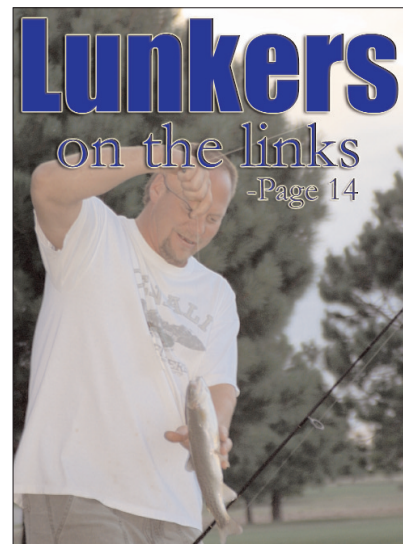
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## Teamwork -- everyone is vital

By Col. Diann Latham  
21st Space Wing Vice Commander

Have you ever wondered about the different components that come together to create the art and sound of great music?

At the root of music creation, and at the base of the sound, is a simple, yet often overlooked concept - teamwork. Much like the collaboration of songwriters, musicians, music executives, and producers, the 21st Space Wing takes pride in teamwork.

Each individual makes up our team, each person counts — especially when it comes to being a part of a war-fighting team. Despite our different areas of expertise and knowledge, no matter what our particular Air Force Specialty Code, we are all important to the Wing's mission.

This becomes particularly apparent during our real world, exercise, and contingency operations.

A couple of examples

come to mind to illustrate my point. During our Operations/Intelligence briefings, members from the operations, support, and logistics groups all gave individual briefings.

Each person had to prepare individually for their portion of the overall mission execution. Then, coming together during the Operations/Intelligence briefing, they brought focus to the Wing.

The events impacting our Wing that occurred since the Wing Commander's last briefing, as well as the objectives of the day, and for the next 24 hours, were laid out from the beginning to the end. Without a top quality Operations/Intelligence briefing, we would have functioned as an uncoordinated group of individuals instead of a team.

After our worldwide missile warning and space surveillance crews receive their crew changeover and begin their shifts, the operations crew goes through various checklists to

perform their duties.

Mistakes at this point by any individual could mean mission failure, or worse. In any case, the individual operator must be ready and skilled to act in an extremely timely manner.

Each individual operator has a huge impact on the success of our mission execution. Each individual's attention to detail during training, crew alert and mission execution makes a difference in the outcome.

My high school track coach said "The way our team runs as a whole determines its success. You may all be a group of great individual runners, but if you don't run together, our track team isn't worth anything."

Our mission would be difficult, if not impossible, to accomplish without a reliable team capable of quickly melding into one to perform our mission. Teamwork is indeed a key to our success.

### 21st Space Wing



## GSU At a Glance

**Unit:** 12th Space Warning Squadron

**Location:** Thule Air Base, Greenland

**Mission:** The squadron provides attack warning and assessments of sea-launched and intercontinental ballistic missiles. Crew members pass that information to the North American Aerospace Defense Command missile warning center, Cheyenne Mountain Air Force Station.

The squadron is also responsible for a portion of the Air Force Space Command space surveillance program and assists in tracking nearly 9,500 objects now in Earth's orbit.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Shaun Berndt

### It's right here

Staff Sgt. Thom Pettigrew and 1st Lt. Trevor Nolan, 12th Space Warning Squadron, sit in front of the Crew Chief console and process a spacetrack checklist.

## Action Line

### Submitting Action Line

The Action Line is your direct link to the 21st Space Wing Commander—use it wisely! Try to resolve problems at the lowest level possible—with the person or activity, and then follow the chain of command.

If you can't get satisfactory results, then call (719) 556-7777. You may also fax your question to 556-7848. Though it's not required, we ask that you leave your name and phone number so we can get back to you for clarifications, or if your response isn't printed.

### Something's fishy here

**QUESTION:** Why does it cost \$8 to fish at the trout ponds on the golf course? I could understand if it was \$2 or \$3, but \$8 is a little outrageous. And why does it cost \$4 for my 1 year-old daughter to fish?

I know the ponds are stocked and fish are expensive, but I think charging that much will deter people from using this aspect of Services.

**ANSWER:** Our fishing ponds are just one of the

many ways our Services family helps make Peterson such a great place to live and work.

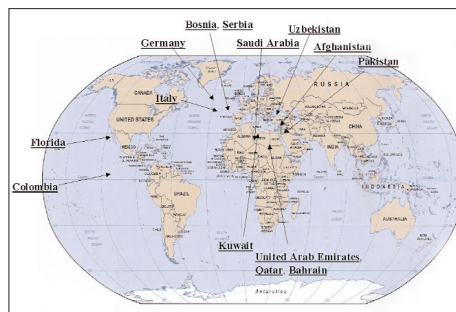
Our partners from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service stock our ponds with over 10,000 trout annually. The license fees (like all fees in our Morale Welfare and Recreation activities) are established by the Peterson Non-Appropriated Fund Council, and are designed to help offset the cost of capitalization and labor for our Outdoor Recreation Program.

As a result of your inquiry, we will recommend the Peterson NAF Council approve free licenses for children 12 and under immediately, and evaluate our license pricing formula — but ensuring we do not operate at a loss.

We appreciate your input, and will continue to work hard to provide the Peterson community with the best possible outdoor recreation programming.

For more details, call Randall Greenfield at 556-4867.

## Where are they?



There are 48 members of the Peterson Complex deployed to various locations around the world. Please remember them and their families during these deployments.

(Information courtesy of the 21st Mission Support Squadron)



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### A Moment in Time: August



■ On Aug. 9, 1945, the second atomic bomb was dropped on Nagasaki, Japan.

■ On Aug. 14, 1945, the 20th Air Force prepared its last bombing mission five days after they dropped the second atomic bomb.

■ On Aug. 15, 1957, Gen. Nathan Twining became the first Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

■ On Aug. 15, 1972, the 21st Composite Wing sent five F-4Es to the 366th Tactical Fighter Wing. Information courtesy of Staff Sgt. Trisha Morgan, 21st Space Wing History Office.



# New Peterson TLFs open for business

**Tech. Sgt. Michael Phillips**  
21st Space Wing Public Affairs

With a couple of swipes from an oversized pair of scissors, the newest Temporary Lodging Facility at Peterson Air Force base was dedicated in a ribbon-cutting ceremony Tuesday.

General Lance Lord, Air Force Space Command commander, Mrs. Lord, 21st Space Wing Vice Commander Col. Diann Latham, Deputy Services Commander Robert Paige and Airman Alex

Filippidis cut the ribbon, opening the new \$6.3 million facility.

The facility is comprised of six complexes, with five units in each, for a total of 30 two-bedroom units.

The construction project for the new facility was begun in April 2001 and completed July 2002.

Latham called the new facilities "some of the best I've seen in the Air Force and, in fact, all of the Department of Defense."

This quality-of-life project provides lodging customers

with more space, higher quality lodging and an increased comfort level for families than was previously available.

According to 1st Lt. Chip Hollinger, Peterson's Lodging Officer and master of ceremonies for the dedication, the new units, constructed to new

Air Force Service Agency standards, each provide more than 1,000 square feet of living space.

Latham highlighted many features of the new TLF, such as two bedrooms, a 32-inch television, full kitchen, and a washer and dryer in each unit.

"There's only one major problem I see with these new facilities," she said. "Once families check in, they won't want to check out."

After the dedication, attendees were invited for a tour of Peterson's newest facilities.



Photos by Budd Butcher

**Gen. Lance Lord, Air Force Space Command Commander, gets a tour of the new TLFs from Nicole White, Lodging Manager.**



**The crowd looks on as the ribbon is cut to the new Peterson Temporary Lodging Facilities.**



**From left to right: Robert Paige, 21st Services Squadron, Beccy Lord, Gen. Lance Lord, Amn. Alex Filippidis, 21st SVS, and Col. Diann Latham, 21st Space Wing Vice Commander, cut the ribbon to the new TLFs.**

## Support Group gets new commander

**By Senior Airman Shane Sharp**  
21st Space Wing Public Affairs

**T**he 21st Space Wing welcomed a new support group commander during a change of command ceremony Tuesday at the base museum.

Colonel Marvin N. Fisher assumed command of the 21st Support Group from Col. Michael D. Selva during the morning ceremony.

Col. Diann Latham, 21st SW Vice Commander, welcomed Fisher and bid farewell to Selva.

"Colonel Fisher, we welcome you and challenge you to take the support group to even new heights of excellence," said Latham.

After the passing of the guidon, Fisher

expressed enthusiasm at the prospect of working with support group members here at Peterson.

"I'm proud to be here to serve with you," said Fisher. "I look forward to meeting everyone of you. Together we will ensure that the 21st Support Group continues the standard of excellence that has been set."

Fisher comes to Peterson from Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington D.C. where he served as Chief of Programs Division the Office of The Civil Engineer and was responsible for leading and coordinating efforts in planning and programming of long-range strategies and policies to guide CE activities and Air Force facility investments.

Selva will remain in the local area. His new assignment is vice commander of the 50th SW at Schriever Air Force Base.



Photo by Senior Airman Shane Sharp

**Col. Marvin N. Fisher, new 21st Support Group Commander, expresses enthusiasm for the job at hand after taking command from Col. Michael D. Selva.**

## News in Brief



## NEW NUMBER

The phone number for the Community Activities Center has changed. The new number is 556-1733.

## COMMANDER'S

## ACCESS CHANNEL

To submit information to the Commander's Access Channel, e-mail it to [access.channel@peterson.af.mil](mailto:access.channel@peterson.af.mil)

## EDUCATION OFFICE

■ Air War College non-resident studies seminar is underway and will run through June 2003.

Applications are being accepted online at [www.au.af.mil/au/awc/awcns/enroll](http://www.au.af.mil/au/awc/awcns/enroll)

■ The Air Command And Staff College is also accepting applications for nonresident studies.

■ Federal workers can take online courses in more than 25 subjects for free. To learn more, log onto [www.golearn.gov](http://www.golearn.gov).

For more information on these or other Education Office classes, call the Education Office at 556-4064.

## SCHOLARSHIPS

The Olmstead Scholar Program provides officers a chance to attend a college overseas while studying for a Master's Degree.

The application deadline is Oct. 15. For more information call the Military Personnel Flight.

## CFC EVENT

There will be a Combined Federal Campaign leadership event 9:30 a.m., Aug. 16, at the Peterson Air Force Base Officers' Club.

The uniform for military members is duty uniform and for civilians it is business attire.

For more information, call Capt. James Gherdovich at 556-4448.

## HEARTS APART NIGHT

There will be a Hearts Apart Family Night at the Armed Services YMCA, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Aug. 16

If you have experienced a deployment, have a spouse that is deployed, or a spouse that is going to deploy, come and share your deployment survival tips.

There is a \$1 per family fee which includes dinner. For

more information, call the ASYMCA at 556-6141.

## WATER RESTRICTIONS

During Stage II, residents should water their lawns in the early morning or late evening only. If you live in an even-numbered house, you may water on Sunday, Wednesday, and Friday. Odd-numbered houses may water on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

Watering is not permitted Mondays, and water use will be closely monitored.

Also during Stage II, the car wash will be closed Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Watch the base marquees, the Commander's Access Channel and the *Space Observer* for the latest water restriction stages and changes.

## NEW FSC CLASSES

The Family Support Center has two new classes in August. They are:

■ Transition planning, Aug. 20, 9 a.m.-10:30 a.m. The class is geared toward those who are retiring or separating from the military and have already attended the pre-separation briefing.

■ Interviewing, Aug. 22, 1-3 p.m. The class is designed to prepare for interviewing in the civilian world.

For more information on the classes or to sign up, call the Family Support Center at 556-7596.

## RETIREE

## APPRECIATION DAY

A Retiree Appreciation Day will be Aug. 24 at the Air Force Academy.

For more information, call 556-7153.

## TAXIS AND

## FOOD DELIVERY

The 21st Security Forces Squadron has developed a process to allow local city bus routes, taxis and food delivery drivers on base.

For food delivery, provide the driver with an accurate phone number so the entry controller can call you when the food is at the gate.

Once the delivery is verified, the driver will be allowed on base. If you are unreachable, the delivery will be turned away. All taxis entering base will be searched.

For details, call Security Forces at 556-4000.

## SNCO WORKSHOP

There will be a senior noncommissioned officer workshop today, 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., at the Enlisted Club.

For details, call Master Sgt. Kristin Clark at 556-8474.

## CONSTRUCTION

The 21st Civil Engineer Squadron will be doing minor construction near the Peterson Air Force Base Shoppette through Aug. 16.

For more information, call Master Sgt. Lorenzo Luechtefeld at 556-1442.

## NAVY BALL

The Rocky Mountain Navy 227th Birthday Ball will be 6 p.m.-midnight, Oct. 4, at the Sheraton hotel in Colorado Springs.

The cost for E-6 and below is \$20, E-7-O-3 \$35, and general admission is \$42.

Reservation forms with checks will be taken no later than Sept. 27.

For more information, contact your command representative.



At the  
Base  
Chapel



**Protestant**  
Combined services  
Aug. 11, 11 a.m.  
followed by a  
Chapel picnic

**Catholic**  
Weekday Mass, 11:35 a.m.  
Saturdays, 5 p.m.  
Sundays, 9:30 a.m.  
Reconciliation  
Saturdays, 4 p.m.

**Religious Education**  
Sunday programs  
resume after  
Labor Day

\*\*For more  
information  
Call the chapel at  
556-4442 for available  
chapel programs.



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# Blotter

The following real-life events with real individuals from around the Peterson Complex are presented to inform you of crimes, accidents, and events occurring on our base.

The following entries were taken from the 21st Security Forces Squadron Police Blotter for the week ending Aug. 2:

## Shifty smoker steals smokes - July 27

Security Forces responded to the Base exchange where an AAFES detective was detaining a dependent son for shoplifting. The nicotine nabber had stolen a pack of cigarettes.

After issuing a summons for shoplifting, the cancer-chasing child was released.

## Attempted breaking and entering - July 27

A resident of McGuire Street reported the lock on the door handle of his residence was damaged while he was away at a function.

Security Forces verified the lock had been tampered and reported the incident. Anyone with information on this incident, or anyone seeing anything suspicious at a neighbor's residence, should contact the Law Enforcement Desk.

## Rod rob - July 28

A family member reported to the Law Enforcement Desk that her car antenna was stolen from her vehicle on Tyndall Avenue in base housing.

Anyone with information on this incident is encouraged to contact the LE Desk.

## Thickheaded thieves team for tunes - July 28

An AAFES detective reported he had apprehended two family members for stealing two CDs worth \$23.

The disc dummies were transported to the Law Enforcement Desk where they were presented with summons for shoplifting, and then released.

## Beamer "bonk & book" - July 29

Security Forces were summoned to the parking lot of Building 1470, where a military member discovered damage to

his car after work.

The damage consisted of the right front bumper appearing unaligned along with a white-gray paint transfer, and white-gray paint transfer throughout the right front panel.

Anyone with information regarding the hit and run, or the other vehicle should contact the LE Desk.

## Attempted breaking and entering - July 29

The Housing Maintenance Office called Security Forces and reported that there were scratches and dents on the front door at Building 1324.

Damage to the door consisted of a large dent just above the door handle and five scratches above the dent and two below. There was nothing missing from the office.

## The plane truth: Wrong place, Wrong time - July 29

During a sweep of the flight line, Security Forces

noticed two individuals pushing a Cessna-type aircraft into a restricted zone.

Security Forces contacted Base Operations to see if they indeed had authorization to be in the area and verified the men's authorization; the individuals were then released.

## The Twix's on you - July 29

Security Forces responded to a minor accident call. Two cars were in line at a stoplight.

The driver in the rear car went to open candy he'd bought after PayDay, when his foot slipped off the brake and he Crunched and Krackeled the car in front of him.

Without Snickers, Security Forces issued an inattentive driving citation to Mr. Butterfinger.

*\*\*Editor's note: Although the Space Observer staff may make light of some Blotter entries, the intent is to call attention to our security and law enforcement concerns. However, rest assured, our professional Security Forces treat each incident seriously.*



## Space Command airman heads for lights of Hollywood

By Staff Sgt.  
Josh Clendenen  
21st Space Wing Public Affairs

Whenever you watch television, you see commercials about being an "Army of One" or "The Few, The Proud, The Marines". And occasionally you'll see the "America's Air Force. No one comes close" commercials. But have you ever wondered how those commercials are made, or who they get to star in them?

One airman from Peterson Air Force Base will find out first-hand how they are made.

Airman 1st Class Jessica Sanchez, 21st Operations Support Squadron, was selected to represent Air Force Space Command in the newest Air Force commercial featuring the space mission.

It all began in mid-July when 22 active-duty Hispanic women from across Space Command arrived here to try their hand at acting.

"When I found out about the commercial, I knew I wanted to try out," said Sanchez.

That was all it took. Sanchez was one of three selected to fly to Los Angeles for another tryout.

"I was on pins and needles after the callback," she said. "I knew I did my best, so all I could do is wait."

The wait didn't take long. Sanchez was officially notified Aug. 2 she would be starring in the next "Step into the Blue" commercial.

"I'm really excited about the opportunity to represent the Air Force and Air Force Space Command," said Sanchez.

The spot will start with Sanchez adjusting a small satellite dish on a building so her and her friends can watch a soccer game. It will cut to her a few years later where she will be portrayed as a space operator.

"It's going to be really cool," said Sanchez. "I've always wanted to be in the entertainment industry. This is just a stepping stone toward my goals."

Sanchez was in Hollywood to film the commercial Thursday and today. It will be seen nationally later this year.

# Gen. Lord sends safety message



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE  
HEADQUARTERS AIR FORCE SPACE COMMAND

MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

AUG 01 2002

FROM: AFSPC/CC  
150 Vandenberg Street, Suite 1105  
Peterson AFB CO 80914-4020

SUBJECT: Commander's Safety Memorandum

1. There are certain times in our life wherein we can make a positive difference and impact our immediate environment. In the aftermath of 11 September, many have done so; many have accepted the responsibility to make the world around them better--safer. You are doing so everyday by your unwavering commitment to the Air Force and, in particular, Air Force Space Command. However, when any of us fails to accept the responsibility for our own actions, we defeat that measure of making the world a better and safer place.

2. This year, the Air Force has lost 73 airmen to mishaps, 68 of them off-duty. The world is not better for this loss; in fact, it is a much sadder place in which to live. Perhaps just as tragic is the knowledge that all of these mishap fatalities could have been prevented. The lessons learned from these deaths are the same lessons we have learned before and are all too familiar. Simple lessons such as do not drink alcohol and drive and wear your seatbelts. The question we must ask is how can anyone make a positive difference when they do not follow the basic rules for self-preservation?

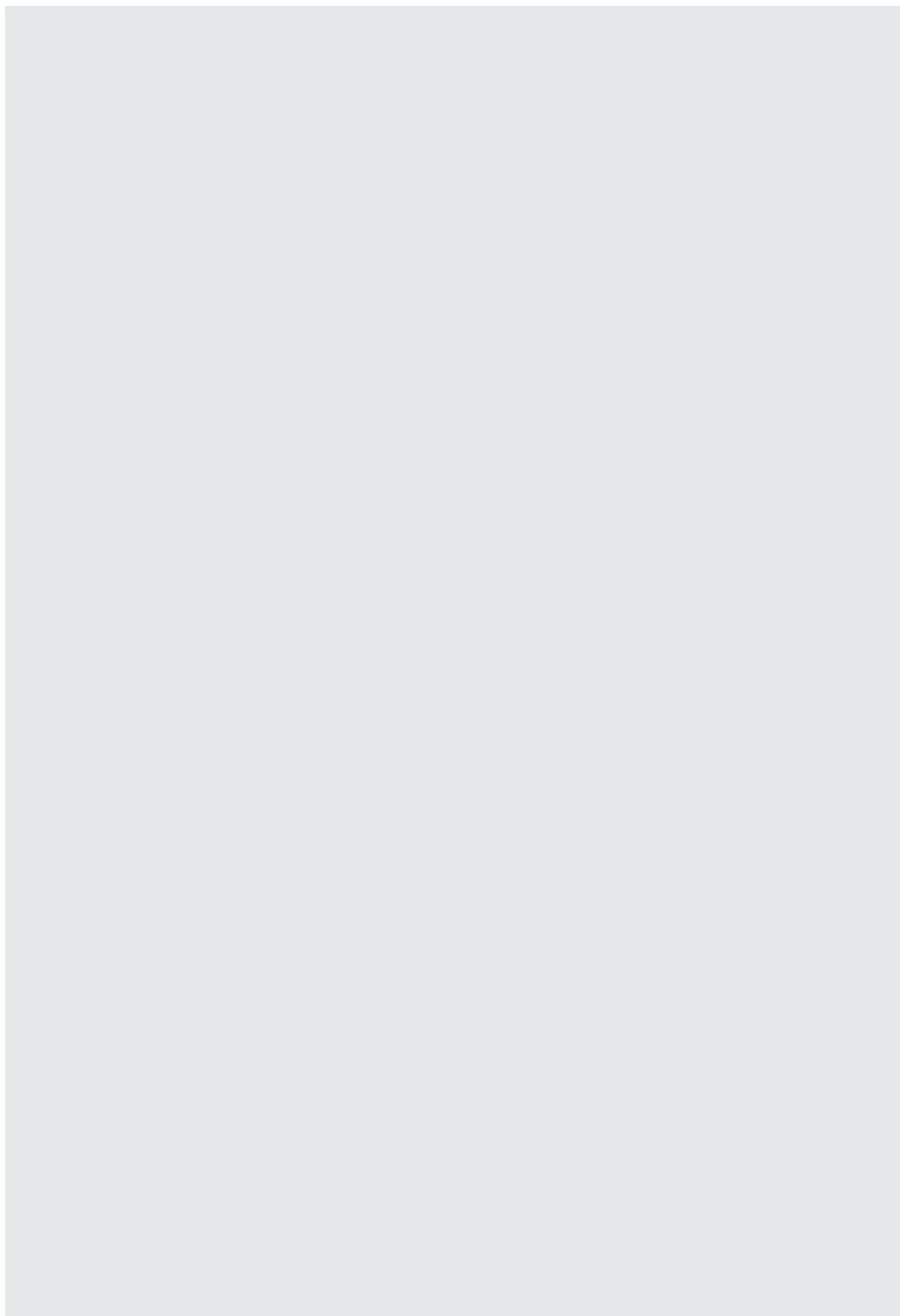
3. All of us should apply risk assessment in both our work environment and off-duty. We must assess if the risk we are going to take (i.e., drinking alcohol and then driving) is worth the cost. We should take care of our friends, our "wingmen," and they should return the favor. We must develop good safety attitudes in everything we do. Safety is an attitude...get one!

*SAFETY IS  
The Business of each  
Member of AFSPC*

*[Signature]*  
LANCE W. LORD  
General, USAF  
Commander

Attachment:  
Distribution List







Courtesy photo

## Tearin' down the house

Workers disassemble a radar antenna at Misawa Air Base, Japan in early July. The antenna was one of three removed during the deactivation of the 3rd Space Surveillance Squadron. The squadron officially deactivated Feb. 20, and final deactivation and disassembly was complete July 8.

## Wing Warrior Day set to help deploying airmen

By Senior Airman  
Shane Sharp

21st Space Wing Public Affairs

**T**he 21st Space Wing Installation Deployment

Office will host a Wing Warrior Day for personnel assigned to support Air Expeditionary Force 7 and 8 Thursday beginning at 6:30 a.m. at the base auditorium.

The purpose of the Warrior Day is to help the men and women of the 21st SW prepare for their upcoming deployment.

"In the past, wing agencies have been overburdened at the last minute with excessive numbers of personnel requiring last-minute training," said 1st Lt. Lauren Miller, 21st SW installation deployment officer. "Warrior Day will provide individuals the opportunity to obtain basic mandatory training early in the deployment process."

Several base agencies will be available during Warrior Day at the base auditorium, Hangar 123, and at the supply section in Hangar 130, to provide training and to check personal readiness sta-


tus. Transportation to and from the base auditorium will be provided. According to Miller, the success of Warrior Day depends on the support of everyone involved in the deployment process.

"With the support of commanders, unit deployment managers and those personnel assigned to AEF 7 and 8, Warrior Day can provide necessary training, which will increase the wing's readiness level at the same time," said Miller.

According to Miller, the day will also be a learning experience for those in charge of getting personnel deployed.

"Wing Warrior Day will provide a convenient and effective training opportunity for unit deployment managers," said Miller.

"Personnel Readiness is vital to the success of our operations," said Miller. "There are many personal things each individual needs to accomplish to ensure their own readiness. Warrior day will help guide deploying members in the right direction and provide the information and training required to ensure readiness."

For more information, call 556-4039. 

### Warrior Day at a glance

- A personal deployment readiness checklist will be given to keep track of where you stand in the deployment process.
- Family readiness training.
- Chemical warfare refresher training.
- Mobility Bag individual sizing.

- Personnel Readiness Unit will accomplish a complete check of your eligibility.
- Personnel will be available to update wills or powers of attorney.
- Medical Personnel from the 10th Medical Group will be available for Medical Readiness Evaluation.



# A T Y O U R S E R V I C E

Outdoor Recreation has everything you need if you're ...

## Heading to the hills

By Senior Airman  
Shane Sharp

21st Space Wing Public Affairs

For those who feel like summer is flying by, there's still time to head up into the mountains for a camping trip, and Outdoor Recreation has everything you'll need to make it happen.

"We have equipment for just about any kind of trip you can think of," said Susan

Morrison, Outdoor Recreation assistant. "Whether you're a beginner or an experienced camper, we have the gear you'll need."

Outdoor Recreation not only has the equipment for base members to venture into the outdoors, they also offer guided trips.

"The next trip we're having will be a three-day canoe and camping trip Aug. 23-25," said Morrison.

The trip consists of two nights camping and three days of Class I and II whitewater canoeing. All camping gear, fishing pole, coolers, etc. will be provided. Participants must provide their own food, fishing licenses and fishing tackle.

The trip cost is \$80 per adult and \$40 for children 12-16.

The maximum number of people is 16 and sign ups are on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more information and to sign up, call Outdoor Recreation at 556-4867.



Equipment	\$Per	Day	Weekend	Week
Air mattress - twin	2	3	8	
Air mattress - full	3	5	12	
Hand pump	.50	1	3	
Air pump - electric	2	4	10	
Sleeping bag	7	10	15	
Sleeping pad	1	2	4	
Fold-up cot	3	5	12	
Backpack	3	5	12	
Day pack	2	4	10	
Camp mess set	1	2	4	
Tent heater	2	4	10	
Ice chest - medium	2	4	8	
Water jug - 3 gallon	1	2	5	
Water jug - 5 gallon	2	4	8	
Stove - 1 burner	2	3	8	
Stove - 2 burner	3	6	12	
Lantern - electric	1	2	5	
Camp table - roll up	2	4	10	
Folding camp chairs	1	2	5	
Tent - 3-4 person	10	15	35	
Tent - 5-6 person	12	20	40	
Small charcoal grill	2	4	10	
Towable grill - medium	2	4	10	
Towable grill - large	1	2	5	
Canopy - 15x15	30	40	50	
Canoe - 17 foot	15	25	50	
Canoe trailer	15	25	50	
Fun yak - ducky	25	40	100	
Wet suit - complete	5	8	25	
Life jacket	2	4	10	
Dry bag	2	4	10	
Mountain bike	15	25	50	
Child bike seat	2	3	8	

For a complete listing of items available, pick up an Equipment Issue and Price List at Outdoor Recreation, Building 675.

## This Week

### Monday

■ Mothers on the Move exercise group. Call the Family Advocacy Center for times and locations.

### Tuesday

■ Sponsorship training, 7:30-8:30 a.m., at the Family Support Center.

### Wednesday

■ Bundles for babies, 1-3 p.m., at the Family Support Center. Dads are encouraged to attend.

■ Small business seminar, 8 a.m.-noon, at the Family Support Center.

### Thursday

■ Going overseas, 8-9 a.m., at the Family Support Center.

■ Smooth move summary, 9-9:30 a.m. at the Family Support Center.

■ Play Group, 10:30 a.m.-noon, at the chapel.

### Friday

■ Career marketing, 8 a.m.-noon, at the Family Support Center.

## Helpful Numbers

- Family Advocacy 556-8943
- Education Center 556-4064
- Library 556-7462
- Community Center 556-7671
- Aquatics Center 556-4608
- Fitness Center 556-4462
- Officers' Club 556-4181
- Enlisted Club 556-4194
- Youth Center 556-7220
- Family Support 556-6141
- Red Cross 556-9201
- Aragon Menu Line 556-4782
- Outdoor Recreation 556-4487
- Golf Course 556-7810



## This Week

## SERVICES CALENDARS

### At the Officers' Club



**August 14--**  
Mongolian  
barbecue, 6-8 p.m.

**August 29--**  
Mongolian  
barbecue, 6-8 p.m.

**August 30--**  
Live Maine lobster,  
5 p.m., reservations  
required.

### At the Enlisted Club



**August 14--**  
Mexican buffet,  
5-7 p.m.

**August 15--**  
Mongolian  
barbecue, 5-7 p.m.

**August 21--**  
Chicken buffet,  
5-7 p.m.

### At Outdoor Recreation



**August 10 & 13--**  
Royal Gorge  
rafting trip. Call for  
reservations.

**August 17&31--**  
Challenge Ropes  
Course. Call for  
details.

**August 23-25--**  
Canoe/camping  
trip, call to sign up.

# Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo parade takes over downtown

*Team Pete members are there to show support*



TOP LEFT: Team Pete members walk along Tejon Street during the Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo parade Saturday.  
BOTTOM LEFT: The Air Force Band of the Rockies entertained the crowd during the parade.  
TOP: Members of the 21st Civil Engineer Squadron Fire Prevention Flight, followed by a fire truck, make the rounds during the parade.  
BOTTOM RIGHT: Cheyenne Mountain Air Force Station was one of the many formations marching in the parade.

Photos by Dennis Plummer







## Crime prevention night showcases law enforcement

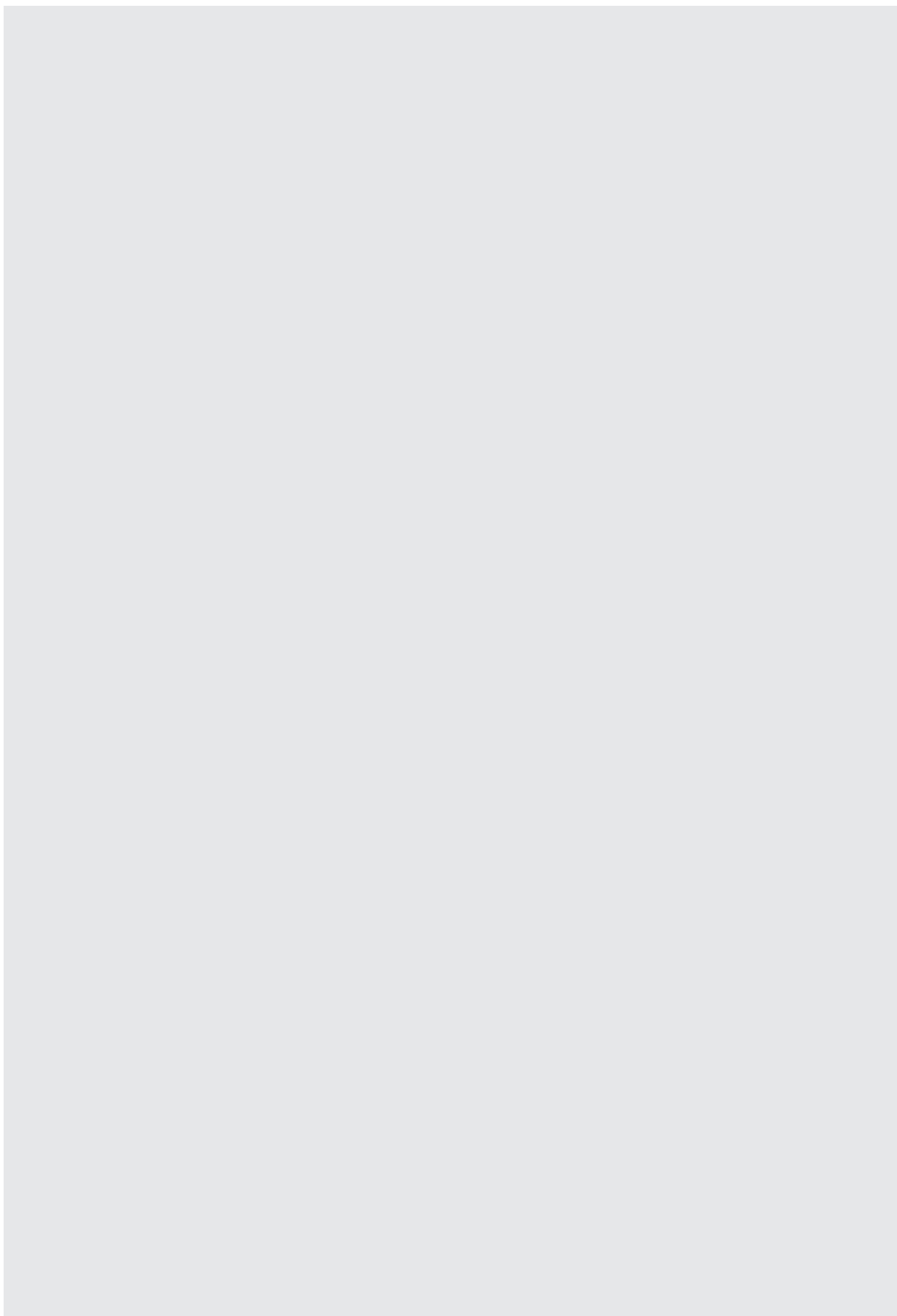


Family members check out 21st Security Forces Squadron weapons on display during crime prevention night Tuesday in base housing.



Photos by Joe Fischer

McGruff the Crime Dog was on hand to help teach children how to "take a bite out of crime."







# Down Range

By Staff Sgt.  
Josh Clendenen  
21st Space Wing Public Affairs

**B**y the time this issue of the Space Observer hits the racks, another week will be gone and some may be looking for a way to pass the time over the weekend.

Well, as I said in last week's column, there's a lot to do in Colorado. If you can't find something to pass the time, you're not looking hard enough.

But what if you don't want to leave base? Well, there's a lot to do here. You can head to the Aquatics Center and take the family swimming, head to the Fitness Center and shoot some hoops, take a trip to the Silver Spruce Golf Course

and play a round of golf if you can get a tee time. And in the event you can't get a tee time, fish the golf course.

That's right, fish it. The Silver Spruce Golf Course has two ponds on the back side of the course that are stocked with trout. As a matter of fact, they're stocked with 10,000 trout annually. And they're fairly easy to catch.

You can either throw a spinner or sit with PowerBait, but one way or another, you'll hook some. If it doesn't happen right away, don't get discouraged. As any good fisherman knows, patience is a virtue and sometimes, the fish just aren't biting.

The first time I went to the trout ponds, I went with my neighbor, and almost right away, I was frustrated about not catching fish.

See, my neighbor is an

all-around outdoorsy guy. He hunts, he fishes, he white-water rafts, and he is one of the base game wardens.

Needless to say, he pretty much does it all. Well, one day, he stopped by and asked if I wanted to go fishing. Like any fisherman, I asked him if bears live in the woods. About 15 minutes later, we were driving to the ponds on the golf course.

We walked out to the lake and he checked a couple of people's licenses for the sticker so they could fish on base and then he joined me on the lake.

Here's the frustrating part. Within three casts, he looked at me, laughed, and said "Hey, fish on." My jaw dropped as he pulled in a nice rainbow trout. It was about 13 or 14 inches long, and it was thick. After he landed it, he pulled the hook, turned it loose and went back to fishing.

Not to be outdone, I walked down the bank and kept casting away. I saw some fish rising in a little cove, so that's where I went. After a few casts, I hooked a beauty.

As with my neighbor's fish, it was about 15 inches and weighed nearly a pound. Before the trip was over, we



Photo by Staff Sgt. Josh Clendenen

**Garry Carpenter, a base housing resident, lands a rainbow trout at the Silver Spruce trout ponds on base.**

had both hooked, landed and released two fish.

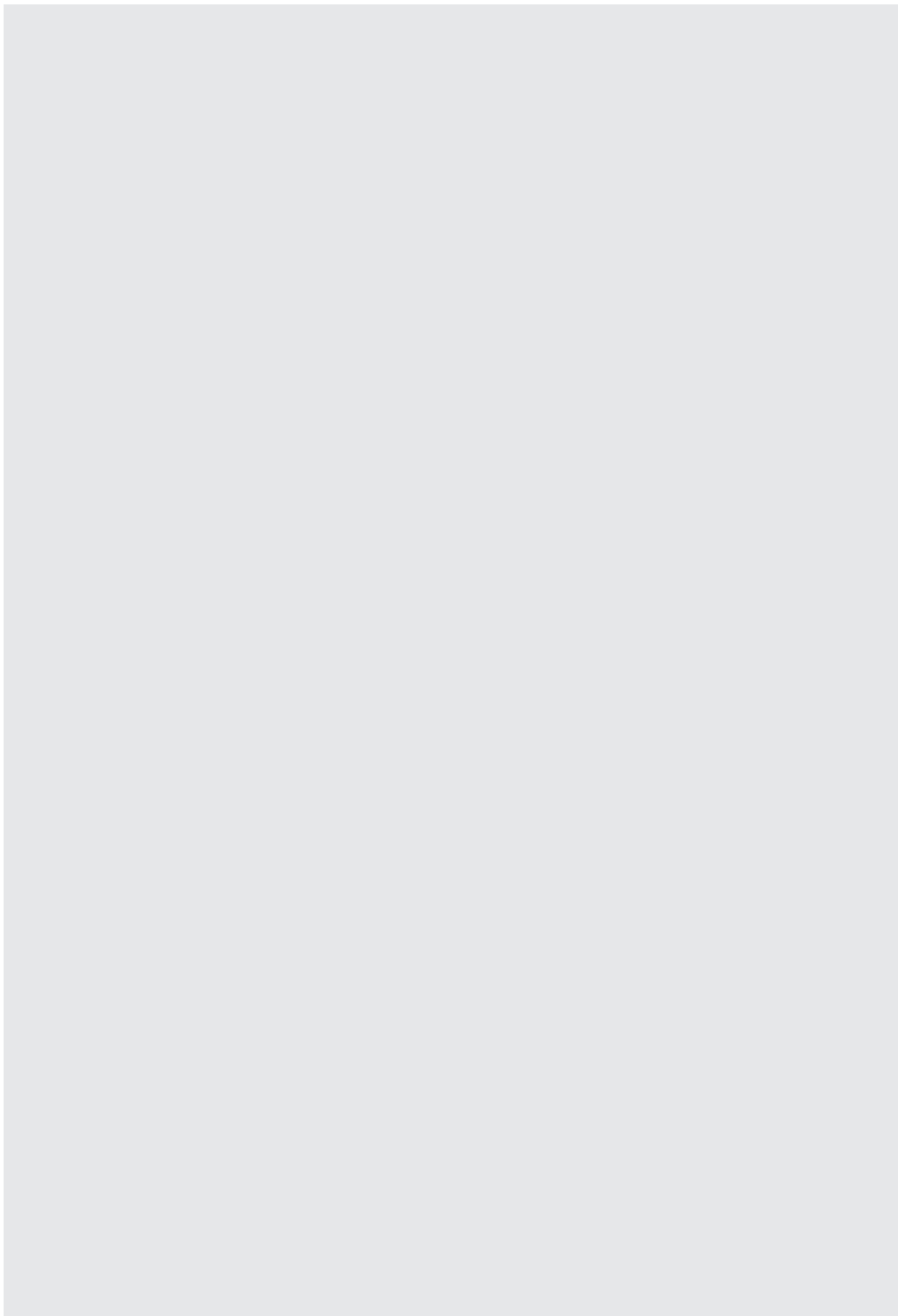
After that outing, I said I'd be back to fish at the ponds and I recommend them to anyone who has a little time to fish.

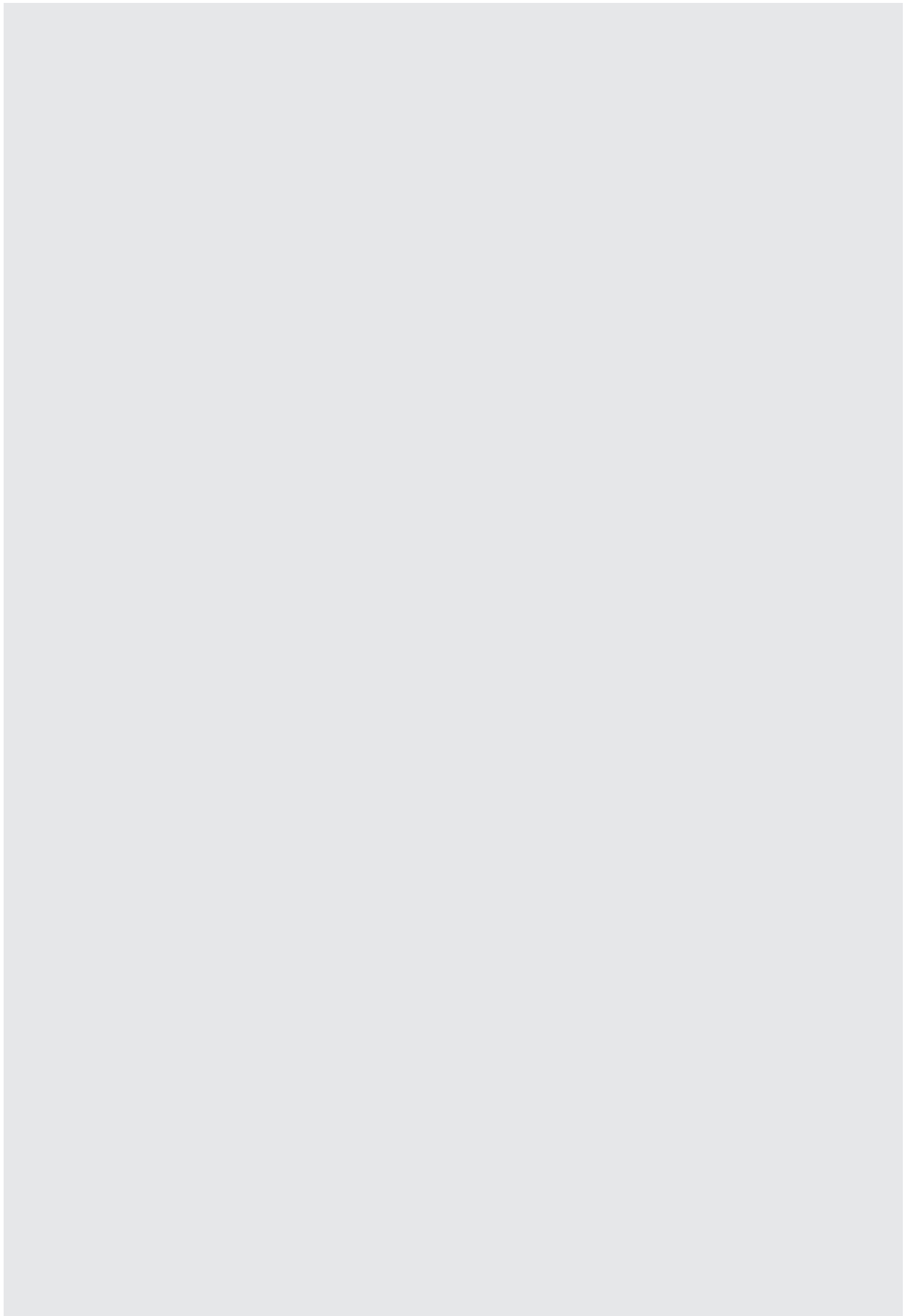
Here's the deal on fishing at the ponds. In order to fish them, you need to have a valid state fishing license and a sticker from Outdoor Recreation. The sticker costs

\$8 for anyone older than 12 and \$4 for anyone younger than 12. Brig. Gen. Duane Deal, 21st Space Wing Commander, is looking to change this, however. (See the Action Line, page 2)

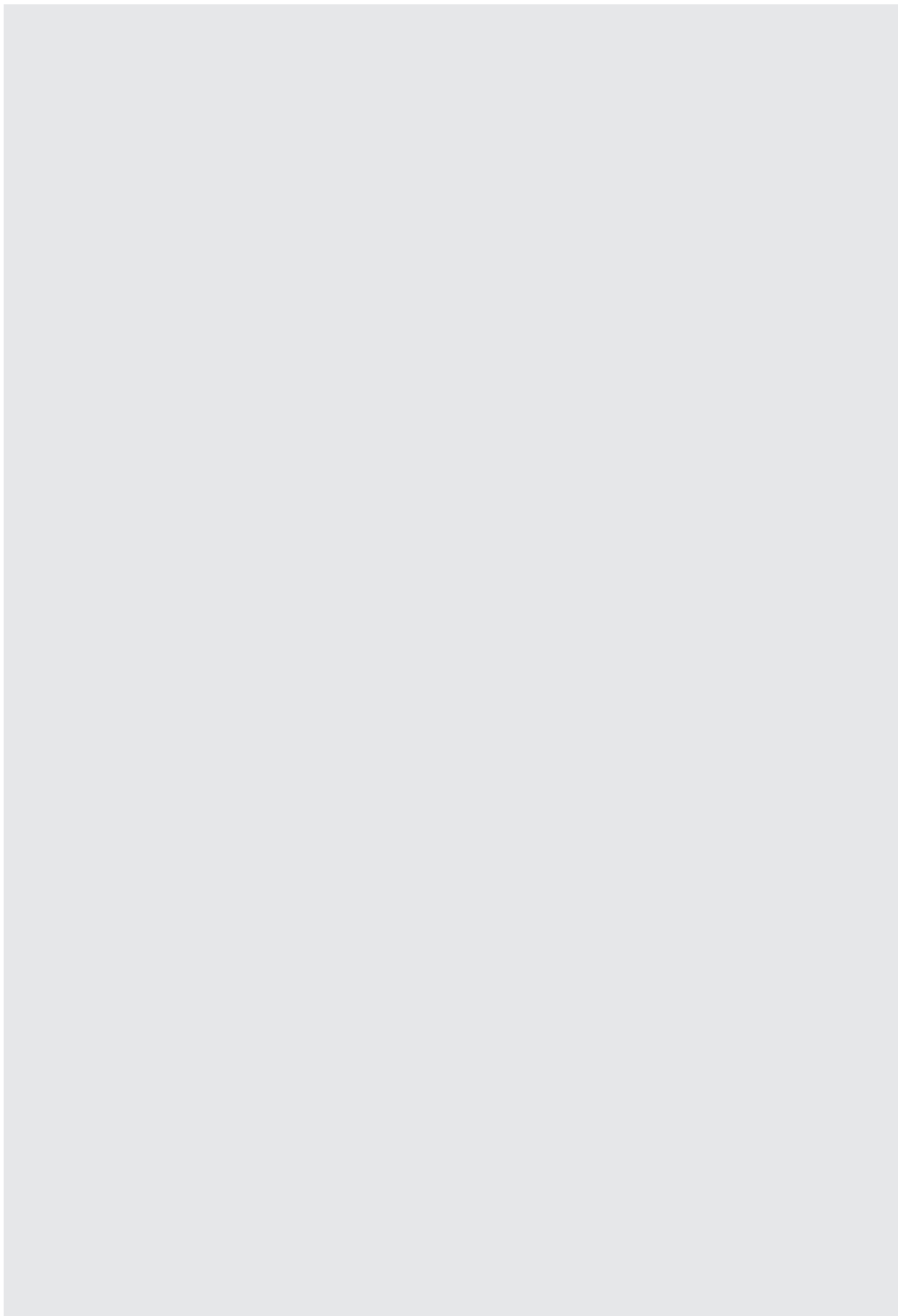
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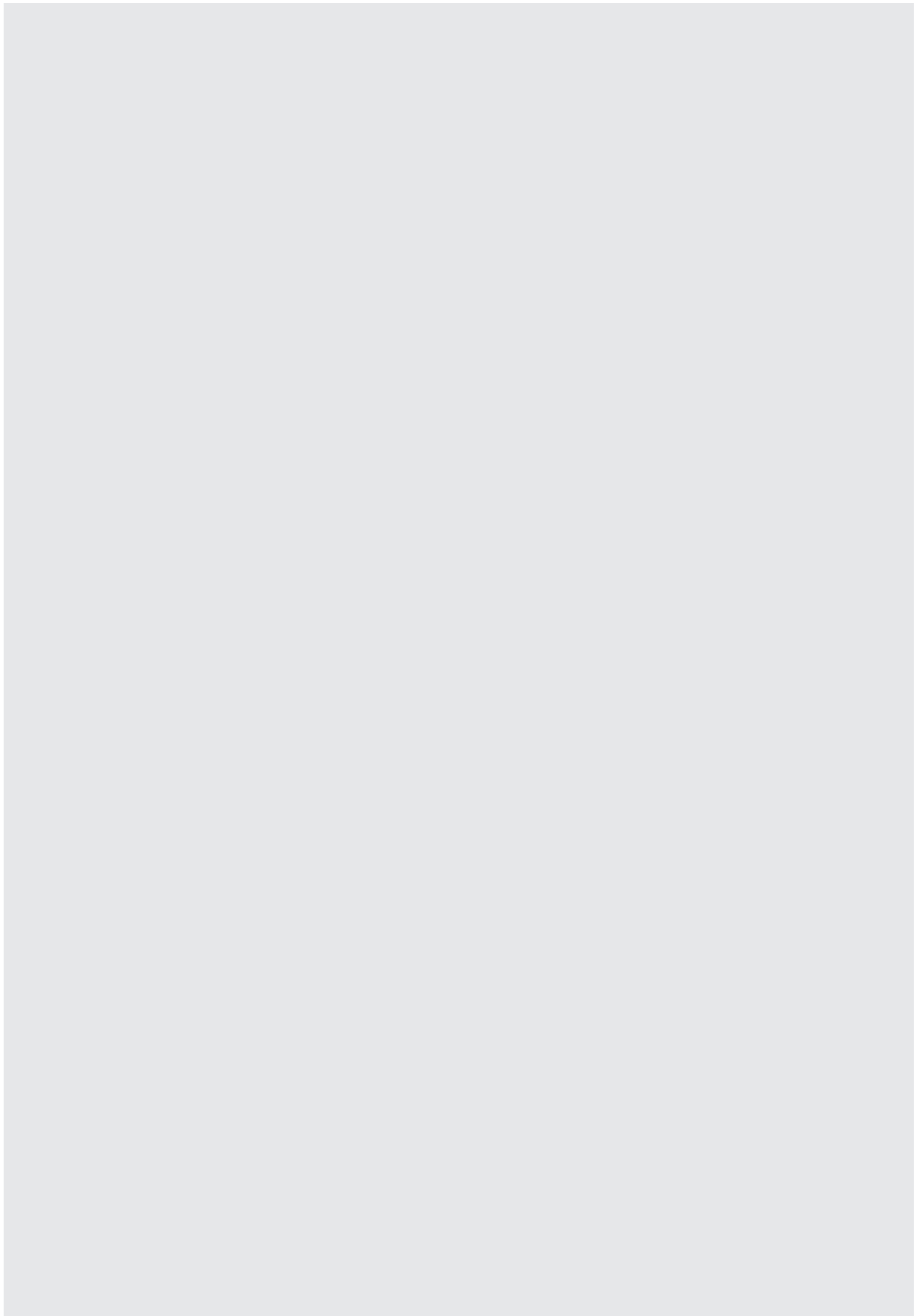
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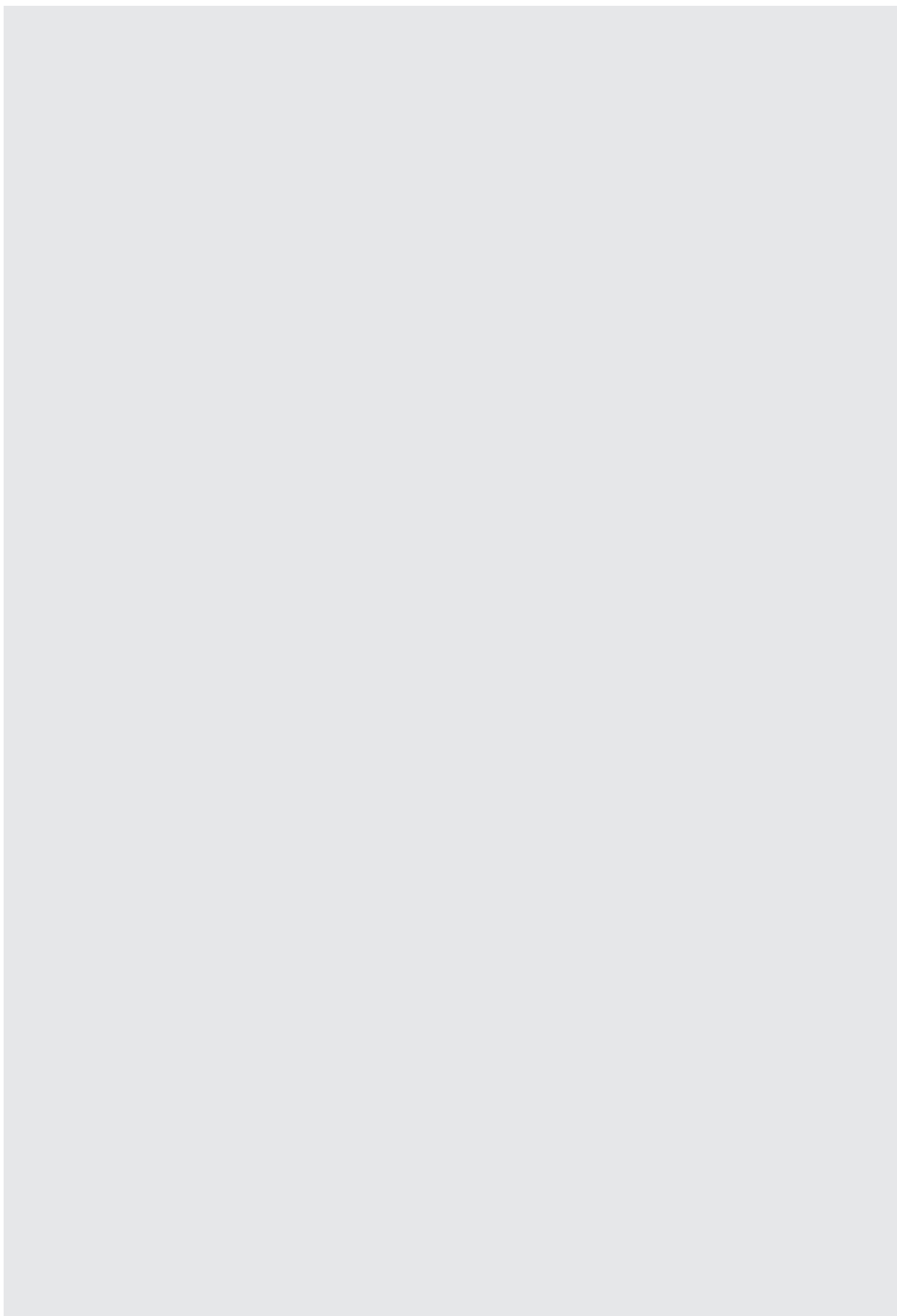
















# Armed forces flex their muscles

By Airman 1st Class

Mike Meares

50th Space Wing Public Affairs

Three Peterson Complex members competed in the Armed Forces Natural Bodybuilding and Figure Championships in Colorado Springs, Colo., Saturday to showcase the best physiques in Southern Colorado.

Other contestants included members from Schriever Air Force Base, U.S. Air Force Academy, Buckley AFB, F.E. Warren AFB, Wyo., and Fort Carson all showing up to flex their way to becoming the 2002 Armed Forces bodybuilding champion.

Pete Weatherford, 21st Civil Engineer Squadron, and Jimmithee Banks, took second and third respectively in the middleweight category. Jimmy Banks, 21st Logistics Group, took second in the men's heavy-weight category.

Three Schriever members, Ken Grier, 50th Communications Squadron, Drew Lawrence, 50th Security Forces Squadron and Christy McCormick, Health and Wellness Center, competed in their respected divisions during the competition.

The military or former military members in the Armed Forces portion also competed in the Southern Colorado championships. Each participant had to perform to a 60-second clip of music to show off as much muscle as possible. When every class was done with their performance, there was a 30-second "flex-off" just before the judge's decision was released.

Weatherford, the defending Armed Forces champion, trained for a year to retain his title. He placed first in the men's open light-heavyweight and second

in the Armed Forces men's open middleweight divisions.

"I won last year in a tie-breaking decision," said Weatherford. "This year, the competition is tough. I'm more intense this year because the competition looks better."

Grier placed second in the men's open middleweight division and third in the men's masters 35-40 division. In the Armed Forces Championships, Grier placed second in the men's open lightweight, falling by only one point to Enrique Pacheco, military training leader, U.S. Air Force Academy.

"A young lieutenant dared me to get back into the gym, so I did," said Grier. "I like to compete for motivation and to compare my training results. It's also a stress reliever from the day-to-day norm."

Lawrence, in his first bodybuilding competition, took first in the men's novice lightweight division and third in the Armed Forces men's open lightweight division. He trains in Thai boxing and Brazilian jujitsu four and a half hours a day, five to six times a week.

"It's been a good experience," said Lawrence. "A relaxed environment where everyone is willing to help out."

Rasheed Oldacre, Fort Carson, won the final decision as the AFC champion.

A new division added this year to the championships is the women's figure one and two-piece competition. A graduate of the Air Force Academy, Amy Glisson, 90th Space Wing Military Personnel Flight, F.E. Warren AFB, Wyo., placed fourth.

"Being fit is a part of Air Force life," she said. "This is a good opportunity to represent the Air Force and our commitment to fitness and health."



Photo by Airman 1st Class Mike Meares

**Jimmy Banks, 21st Logistics Group, flexes during a 30-second pose-down.**